

## **Attachment I**

### **Agricultural and Forestal District Eligibility for Adding Land to a District During a Review**

The Loudoun County Agricultural and Forestal District Program was formed in 1979 under Virginia State enabling legislation. The Program is guided by Chapter 15.2, Section 43 of the Code of Virginia and Chapter 1226 of Loudoun County Code.

Eligibility for the Agricultural and Forestal District Program is based on geography. Virginia State Code requires that each Agricultural and Forestal District have a core of at least 200 acres in one parcel or contiguous parcels. A parcel not part of the core may be included in a District if:

- a. the nearest boundary of the parcel is within one mile of the boundary of the core, or
- b. it is contiguous to a parcel in the district the nearest boundary of which is within one mile of the boundary of the core.

The local governing body may complete a review of any district beginning at least 90 days before the expiration date. In conducting such review, the local governing body shall ask for the recommendations of the local advisory committee and the planning commission in order to determine whether to terminate, modify or continue the district. When each district is reviewed, land within the district may be withdrawn at the owner's discretion by filing a written notice with the local governing body at any time before it acts to continue, modify or terminate the district.

Any owner of additional qualifying land may join the application within thirty days from the date notice is first published or, with the consent of the Board of Supervisors, at any time before the public hearing the Board must hold on the application.

The governing body may stipulate conditions to continuation of the district and may establish a period before the next review of the district, which may be different from the conditions or period established when the district was created.

Unless the district is modified or terminated by the local governing body, the district shall continue as originally constituted, with the same conditions and period before the next review as that established when the district was created.